IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS TYLER DIVISION

RAUL LOPEZ, #02282264	§
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Petitioner,	§
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v.	§ Case No. 6:22-cv-099-JDK-JDL
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DIRECTOR, TDCJ-CID,	§
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Respondent.	§

ORDER ADOPTING THE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Petitioner Raul Lopez, a Texas Department of Criminal Justice prisoner proceeding pro se, filed this petition for writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. The case was referred to United States Magistrate Judge John D. Love for findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations for the disposition of the case.

On October 16, 2023, Judge Love issued a Report recommending that the petition be denied on the merits, that this action be dismissed with prejudice, and that a certificate of appealability be denied. Docket No. 17. A copy of this Report was sent to Petitioner, who has not filed written objections.

This Court reviews the findings and conclusions of the Magistrate Judge de novo if a party objects within fourteen days of the Report and Recommendation. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). In conducting a de novo review, the Court examines the entire record and makes an independent assessment under the law. *Douglass v. United Servs. Auto. Ass'n*, 79 F.3d 1415, 1430 (5th Cir. 1996) (en banc), *superseded on other*

grounds by statute, 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) (extending the time to file objections from

ten to fourteen days).

Here, Petitioner did not object in the prescribed period. The Court therefore

reviews the Magistrate Judge's findings for clear error or abuse of discretion and

reviews his legal conclusions to determine whether they are contrary to law. See

United States v. Wilson, 864 F.2d 1219, 1221 (5th Cir. 1989), cert. denied, 492 U.S.

918 (1989) (holding that, if no objections to a Magistrate Judge's Report are filed, the

standard of review is "clearly erroneous, abuse of discretion and contrary to law.").

Having reviewed the Magistrate Judge's Report and the record in this case,

the Court finds no clear error or abuse of discretion and no conclusions contrary to

law. Accordingly, the Court hereby **ADOPTS** the Report and Recommendation of the

United States Magistrate Judge (Docket No. 17) as the findings of this Court.

Petitioner's petition for habeas corpus is hereby **DENIED** and **DISMISSED** with

prejudice. The Court **DENIES** a certificate of appealability. All pending motions are

DENIED as **MOOT**.

So ORDERED and SIGNED this 30th day of November, 2023.

JEREMY D. KERNODLE

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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